

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**

DISTRICT OF KANSAS  
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March 1, 2004

Dear Federal Bar Member:

Pursuant to District of Kansas Local Bankruptcy Rule 9029.3, this Court has recently adopted a formal Bench Bar Committee, which supersedes this Court's long-standing Rules Committee. This Committee consists of the Chief Judge, other judges who may be appointed by the court, the U.S. Attorney, or an assistant designated by him or her (permanent member), the U.S. Trustee for Region 20, or an assistant designated by him or her (permanent member), a Chapter 13 Trustee, a Chapter 7 Trustee, and six (6) actively practicing members of the bar of the bankruptcy court.

The Bench-Bar Committee has general advisory and liaison roles with respect to the operation of the court and shall, among other things, provide a forum for the continuous study of the operating procedures of the court, serve as liaison among the court, its bar and the public, study, consider and recommend the adoption, amendment or rescission of the Rules of Practice of the court, and make such studies and render such reports and recommendations as the court shall direct.

Eight vacancies on the Bench-Bar Committee will open on **July 1, 2004**, of which six are for actively practicing members of the bankruptcy bar. In this first year of operation, the court will choose two members for a three year term, two members for a two year term and two for a one year term. Thereafter, each year two new members will be selected to fill the expiring terms of two members. The trustee members will each serve a two year term.

If you are interested in serving on the Bench-Bar Committee, please complete the enclosed application for membership and send the original, plus three copies, to:

Fred Jamison, Clerk  
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas  
167 U.S. Courthouse  
401 North Market  
Wichita, Kansas 67202

Applications are due by **May 1, 2004**.

Sincerely,

s/ Fred Jamison  
Clerk of Court

Enclosure